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EVENT / VISIT, PLACION AND GALINDO

1. ON 2 DEC COG TOOK AMBASSADOR MAIN TO PRIVATE UNOFFICIAL MEETING WITH [LIEFOR].
MEETING LASTED ABOUT ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS WITH ONLY AMB MAIN, [LIEFOR] AND COG
PRESENT. FOLLOWING ARE TOPICS DISCUSSED, BRIEF STATEMENT ON EACH:

A. VISIT OF CPIDEAL TO MEXICO. AMB HAD TELEPHONE CALL FROM CPIDEAL PERSONALLY
TALKING WORKING ON A DEC 14-15 CPIDEAL LIEFOR PLACEMENT VISIT TO MEXICO BECAUSE
HE DID NOT WISH BE ALONE TOO MUCH FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. CPIDEAL SAID HE WOULD
LET ERINDA WITH HIM WOULD BE A MISTAKE AND HE AND COAGUAS RE-COMMITED IN
JAN. (NOTE: ON 1 DEC AMB HAD AT STATE DEPT INSTRUCTIONS SENT WORD TO [LIEFOR]
THAT CPIDEAL WOULD LIKE VISIT (DRAFT ON 15 JAN.) IN TALK ON 2 DEC [LIEFOR] [01]
INVITED ON JANUARY VISIT SAID HAD "BAD NIGHT" BECAUSE OF WEATHER (JUST IN
MEX.). AMB BELIEVES REAL REASONS WHY [LIEFOR] [01 08] MEETING AT EARLIEST
POSSIBLE DATE ARE: MILD MEXICAN INFLATION, BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEM AND
OTHER ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. NOTE: AS OF 4 DEC AMB HAS SENT WORD TO [LIEFOR] THAT
VISIT CAN BE 27-28 JAN. [LIEFOR PLANNED.]

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B. AGRARIAN REFORM. AIG TALKED OF POSSIBILITY REPEATING POSSIBILITY OF U.S. HELP IN SETTING UP AGRICULTURAL CREDIT TO SMALL LANDHOLDERS VIA PRIVATE BANKS IN MEXICO. [LITERATOR] VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THIS, SAID IT "TRIPLE A" IN PRIORITY, AND TO PURSUE. (NOTE: LONG DISCUSSION ON NEEDS OF MEXICAN AGRICULTURE, POSSIBLE REMEDIES, AND WILL REPORT FULLY ON THIS.)

C. COLOMBIA PROPOSAL FOR OAS CONCERNING CUBA. NOTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE CAUSE OUT TO ADD TO PRIORITY.

D. FRENTES CIVICO MEXICANO (SEE LITERATOR). [LITERATOR] REPLIED TO AIA PERSONALLY THAT HE REQUESTED U.S. BUSINESSMAN STAY OF MEXICAN POLITICS NOT HELP MEMS OR ANY OTHER GROUP, SAID FRENTES HAD POLITICAL PLANS. IN CONVERSATION [LITERATOR] SAID MEXICAN GOVERNMENT FULLY ABLE TO FIGHT COMMUNISTS, SAID DID NOT WISH HAVE TO FIGHT ON RIGHT AND LEFT, STATED NEAR OF CATHOLIC CHURCH GETTING TOO INVOLVED IN POLITICS IN MEXICO. [LITERATOR] SAID MEXICAN MOVE HONDO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL HEADED BY JUAN CRUZ CARDENAS WOULD BECOME LEGAL POLITICAL PARTY, SAID THIS GOOD BECAUSE THEN THEY WOULD EASILY CONTROLLED. NOTE: THIS WILL BE REPORTED IN INTL.

2. AIG DELIGHTED WITH FRIENDLY AND FRANK MANNER IN WHICH [LITERATOR] TALKED.

3. AIG REPORTED TO DEPT ON ALL THIS; WILL NOT MENTION SOS PRESENCE AT MEETING.

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